

FULLERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees****District Board Room****Tuesday, February 22, 2000****5:00 P.M. (CLOSED SESSION)****7:00 P.M. (OPEN SESSION)****MINUTES****1. GENERAL INFORMATION****1a. CALL TO ORDER**

The Regular meeting of the Fullerton School District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Hilda Sugarman on Tuesday, February 22, 2000 at 5:00 p.m. Harriet Hermann, principal, Fern Drive School, and Susan Fendell, principal, Golden Hill School, led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Board Members:

- Hilda Sugarman, President
- Ellen Ballard, Vice President
- Kim Guth, Clerk
- Robert Fisler, Member
- Marjorie Pogue, Member

Administration:

- Ron Cooper, Superintendent
- Karin Lynch, Assistant Superintendent, Administrative Services
- Linda Caillet, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Patricia Godfrey, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services

1b. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments at this time.

2. CLOSED SESSION**2a. CLOSED SESSION**

President Sugarman announced that the Board would recess into Closed Session to conference with labor negotiator Don Becker regarding FETA (Fullerton Elementary Teachers Association).

2b. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

President Sugarman stated that there was nothing to report from Closed Session.

RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING

The Board reconvened to Open Session at 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Sugarman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Sugarman stated that there would be Public Comments at this time. Trustee Guth made a motion to give each person two minutes to allow for more speakers. President Sugarman stated that there were only a few request slips, and everyone would have a chance to speak.

Daniel Hodhod, student, Ladera Vista Junior High, stated that the Board's refusal to give the teachers a raise has indirectly forced teachers to cancel after school programs. Mr. Hodhod brought a petition supporting teachers, signed by 200 students, to the Board meeting. President Sugarman stated that the Board is not forcing the teachers to stop before or after school programs.

Robert Johnson, teacher, Fern Drive School, stated that District teachers are required to implement state standards and curriculum, utilize report card changes, teach diverse students, and endure classroom modernization, in addition to regular teaching duties. Mr. Johnson stated his sense of pride in teaching for the District has been diminished.

Karen Samuelson, FETA, led the teachers in a song parody reflecting their displeasure with negotiations.

Kathleen Shanfield, parent, Laguna Road School, stated that parents put in 20,000 hours of volunteer work last year. Ms. Shanfield expressed her fear that the District will lose both good teachers and good parents.

Linda and Rolfe Sheffel, parents, urged the Board to settle contract negotiations and noted that these are the best economic times the District has had in many years. Mr. Rolfe noted that higher test scores indicate teachers have been working very hard implementing new curriculums, and should be recognized.

Mark Pavlovich, former school board candidate, emphasized that education is the number one priority of the District, and the teachers and parents, not the Board, are responsible for the District's success.

Amanda Dewindt, student, stated that the teachers should be paid more fairly, because of the time and effort they put forth to teach the students.

Barbara Moore, Second Vice President of FETA, stated that on March 2 there will be a nationwide, 92nd birthday party in honor of Dr. Seuss and "Read Across America". To show their support, 20 million students will celebrate reading by participating in various activities. Ms. Moore will present the District principals with a \$100 gift certificate to purchase books for students from Border's Book Store.

President Sugarman stated that there would be a two-minute break to allow for some of the audience to leave.

APPROVE MINUTES OF SPECIAL AND REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Moved by Kim Guth, seconded by Marjorie Pogue, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on February 8, 2000, with the correction to page 108.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3a. 2000 CALIFORNIA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION (CSBA) DELEGATE ASSEMBLY ELECTION

Moved by Hilda Sugarman, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board of Trustees nominate the following eight members for the 2000 California School Boards Associations Delegate Assembly: Tammy Bullard, Shirley Carey, Judy Franco, Mary C. Fuhrman, Donna McDougall, Robert A. Singer, Margie Wakeham, and Esther H. Wallace.

3b. APPROVE AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE AND DESIGNATION OF FISCAL/ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT FOR CALIFORNIA SCHOOL INFORMATION SERVICES (CSIS) PHASE ONE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

Tony Anderson, Director of Information Services, presented a report on the California School Information Services (CSIS) project, coordinated by the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE). Mr. Anderson stated that goals of this statewide project include the development of a state data repository for data reporting, the development of a process to transfer student records electronically between districts, and the development of a system for transferring transcript information between high schools and post-secondary institutions. Mr. Anderson stated that by participating in Phase I of the CSIS project, the District would be able to provide input and guidance in the design and development of this electronic data transfer system. Mr. Anderson reported that many people are participating in this project with a very intense concern about privacy of student data. As a part of the CSIS records system, a unique statewide ID number will be assigned to each of the approximately six million students in the state. Data transferred to the state repository will include the ID number, but will be stripped of personally identifiable information about each student. Only the District will have complete student names linked to the statewide ID number

Trustee Guth expressed her concerns regarding privacy and confidentiality issues. Trustee Guth stated that the Board is supposed to protect children and should insure parental rights to opt that their student not participate in this project. Trustee Guth further stated that the District does not have to participate in the CSIS project because it is not mandated by legislation.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Robert Fisler and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no"), that the Board of Trustees approve the agreement to participate and designation of fiscal/administrative agent for California School Information Services (CSIS) Phase One Development Project.

3c. FIRST READING OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 5116 (INTRADISTRICT TRANSFERS)

Ellen Fisher, Coordinator of Child Welfare and Attendance, brought Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116 and Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5117 before the Board with requested changes. Ms. Fisher stated that BP/AR 5116 must be reviewed each year and that two changes are applicable on both BP/AR 5116 and BP 5117 so both were being considered at the same meeting. Ms. Fisher mentioned that there was new legislation of which the Board should be aware. The first change adds additional language to define more closely the students who are considered to be within the school attendance area. The second, which moves students of District staff to a higher position in the priority order, reflects new legislation which authorizes governing boards to establish a policy allowing students to enroll at a District school if their parent or guardian is assigned to work at that school as their primary place of employment.

Trustee Guth stated that the Board policies are compliant with state laws, and previous Board approval, and should not be revised.

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Robert Fisler, and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no") that the Board of Trustees approve proposed changes to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116 (Intradistrict Transfers).

3d. FIRST READING OF PROPOSED REVISIONS TO BOARD POLICY 5117 (INTERDISTRICT TRANSFERS)

Ms. Fisher stated that there are two changes proposed in Board Policy 5117. The first, which moves students of District staff to a higher position in the priority order, reflects new legislation which authorizes governing boards to establish a policy allowing students to enroll at a District school if their parent or guardian is assigned to work at that school as their primary place of employment. The second, revision in the language of the paragraph which addresses bus transportation, is proposed as a means of eliminating confusion for parents seeking interdistrict transfers.

Moved by Hilda Sugarman seconded by Marjorie Pogue and carried 4-1 (Kim Guth voted "no") to approve proposed changes to BP 5117 (Interdistrict Transfers).

4. REPORT FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

There was no report from the Superintendent.

5. REPORTS FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

President Sugarman attended a Boardsmanship class and presented the Board with a summary of the state laws and propositions that have affected schools during the past 25 years. President Sugarman suggested the Board attend the Boardsmanship meetings.

President Sugarman stated that when school programs are approved by the Board, teachers are paid, although many teachers voluntarily participate in before and after school programs.

Trustee Fisler stated that each school district has a different revenue limit and therefore receives a different amount of money because of the Rodda Act and senate bills.

Trustee Pogue informed the Board that District third graders, in conjunction with the Children's League, will visit the Heritage House as part of their curriculum. Trustee Pogue reminded the Board to study the election materials prior to voting in the upcoming election.

Trustee Guth stated that February 22 is George Washington's birthday, and to honor him U.S. Congress read his farewell speech on television. Trustee Guth stated her opposition to Proposition 26 because it would decrease the majority 2/3 vote needed to pass school bonds, and reduce the voting to 50% plus one vote. Trustee Guth stated that the constitutional amendment is to protect the rights of the taxpayer with a majority vote to approve all tax increases. Trustee Guth further stated that the District will receive 65 million dollars this year and must responsibly prioritize the budget.

6. CONSENT ITEMS

Moved by Marjorie Pogue, seconded by Ellen Ballard, and carried unanimously that the Board approve the Consent Items as presented.

President Sugarman stated that the Board needed to take immediate action on an item that came to the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda. President Sugarman stated that emergency Board Agenda Item 6m should be added to the Consent Items.

Marjorie Pogue motioned, Kim Guth seconded, and the Board unanimously voted to determine that there was a need to take immediate action on Board Agenda Item 6m.

Marjorie Pogue motioned, Robert Fisler seconded, and the Board unanimously approved the adoption of authorizing Resolution 99/00-10 related to the Orange County Bankruptcy.

6a. APPROVE CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL REPORT

That the Board of Trustees approve Certificated Personnel Report as submitted (New Hires, Extra Duty Assignments).

Trustee Guth questioned the extra duty assignments to be approved on page 6a-3 and why they were presented to the Board.

6b. APPROVE CLASSIFIED TUITION REIMBURSEMENT

That the Board of Trustees approve Classified Tuition Reimbursement for Jon Andrews, Catalina Davis, Veronica De Lira and Darla Foss.

6c. APPROVE/RATIFY PURCHASE ORDERS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify purchase orders number 022B0377 through 022X0269 for 1999/2000.

6d. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES PURCHASE ORDERS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify food services purchase orders numbered 200685 through 200746 for 1999/2000.

6e. APPROVE/RATIFY WARRANTS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 9976 through 10229 in the amount of \$493,438.20.

6f. APPROVE/RATIFY FOOD SERVICES WARRANTS

That the Board of Trustees approve/ratify warrants numbered 8978 through 9039 in the amount of \$229,243.08.

6g. ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

That the Board of Trustees adopt resolutions #99/00-B051 through #99/00-B054 authorizing budget transfers and recognizing unbudgeted revenue according to Education Code Sections 42600 and 42602 for submission to the Orange County Superintendent of Schools.

6h. ACCEPT GIFTS TO THE DISTRICT

That the Board accept gifts to the District and authorize District staff to express the Board's appreciation to all donors, as listed on 6h-2.

6i APPROVE 1999-2000 AGREEMENT WITH THOUSAND PINES OUTDOOR SCHOOL FOR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

That the Board of Trustees approve 1999-2000 agreement with Thousand Pines Outdoor School for overnight field trip for Pacific Drive Elementary School.

6j. APPROVE 1999-2000 AGREEMENT WITH PATHFINDER RANCH OUTDOOR SCHOOL FOR OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP

That the Board of Trustees approve 1999/2000 agreement with Pathfinder Ranch Outdoor School for overnight field trip date change for Woodcrest School at no cost to the District.

6k. RATIFY/APPROVE LECTURERS

That the Board of Trustees approve lecturers 1) California Weekly Explorer, Inc. on February 17, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$302.50; 2) Orange County Opera on March 28, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$260.00; 3) Norma Ramirez on February 16, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$150.00; 4) Elliott Lawrence from February 23, 2000 through June 15, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$4,375.00; 5) Mobile Ed Productions on March 30, 2000 at a cost not to exceed \$550.00.

6I. APPROVE PIGGYBACK PURCHASE OF RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS FROM MOD-TECH INC. USING SADDLEBACK VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BID AWARD

That the Board of Trustees approve piggyback purchase of seven 960 square foot classroom buildings, with the option of purchasing additional classrooms if needed, under the terms and conditions of the contract awarded to Mod-Tech Inc. by Saddleback Valley Unified School District pursuant to the provisions of the Public Contract Code Section 20118. Furthermore, find and determine that it is in the best interest of the Fullerton School District to purchase these building using the bid awarded by the Saddleback Valley Unified School District.

7. BOARD MEMBER REQUEST(S) FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for possible future agenda items.

8. DISTRICT ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

The Board reviewed the District calendar of events for the period of February 9 through February 22, 2000. Erin Skeffington, secretary, stated that there were two changes to the calendar: 1) Commonwealth School's Family Picnic scheduled for February 23, was canceled due to stormy weather and wet field conditions; 2) Richman School Site Council Meeting is February 24, Thursday, at 2:30 p.m., not 2:00 p.m.

President Sugarman stated that the Board would go into Closed Session to continue the discussion on FETA negotiations, and Item 9(1) would not be discussed in Closed Session.

9. CLOSED SESSION

1. Public Employee Discipline, Dismissal, Release [Government Code Sections 54954.5(d), 54947]
2. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

President Sugarman stated there was nothing to report from the Closed Session.

10. ADJOURNMENT

President Sugarman adjourned the meeting on February 22, 2000 at 10:10 p.m.

Kim Guth, Clerk

Board of Trustees